### A Message to Homeowners:

One of the fundamental components of a home is its windows. Over time, they may leak, break, malfunction and deteriorate. Replacing windows can be an expensive endeavor and quite often, property owners don't have the necessary resources to do this. When window maintenance remains unchecked, energy bills may rise, the risk for lead-based paint hazards may increase, safety may be breached and homes could lose value. Properties can appear de-valued, thus affecting the integrity of an entire neighborhood.

For these reasons, I am excited to announce our new "Windows Program." This accessible and affordable housing program is designed to assist eligible property owners with window replacement. Property owners are required to complete an application, and if approved, the City supplies the windows. Our supplier will visit your property, take measurements and deliver the windows in about 30 days. Property owners are responsible for window installation.

The Windows Program should be viewed as a community partnership. By this, we mean that the City provides a no-cost resource to property owners with the expectation that windows are installed with the highest level of workmanship.

While we know that windows are one part of a healthy home, we hope that this initial investment will encourage additional improvements to properties as we work to create safer, more vibrant neighborhoods throughout the city.

Lovely A. Warren
Mayor

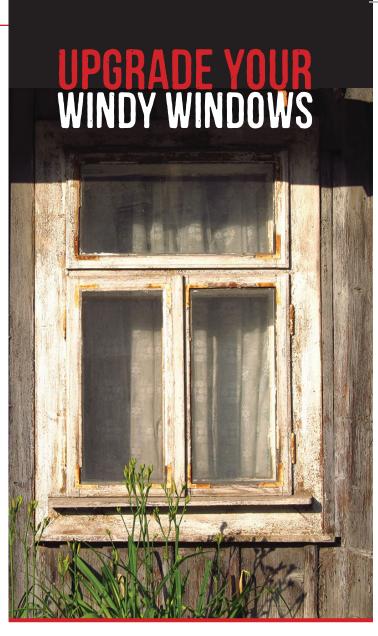


Apply at one of the following locations:

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With help from the City of Rochester's Windows Program!





# **Replace Your Windows!**

The City's Window Program can provide resources to help you replace old worn-out leaking windows with new double-hung energy star rated vinyl windows.

### **Benefits of Replacement Windows:**

- Energy efficiency
- Lower utility bills
- Simple cleaning
- Nicer appearance
- Increase home value

# How the Program Works.

You complete an application. After eligibility approval, the City will coordinate with the window supplier to measure your windows. The windows will be delivered to your property where you will have 30 days to complete the installation. The window installer must have a course completion certificate for the EPA Renovator, Remodeler and Painting (RRP) course. The City will provide an inspection to make sure the windows have been properly installed. The City will pay up to \$5,000 for the





cost of the windows, any excess cost is the responsibility of the property owner. A lead based paint clearance test will be completed by the City at the end of the project.

# Who is eligible for the program?

The City will provide assistance to owners of single-family owner-occupied or rental residential properties. A copy of your property deed will be requested. The property must be located in the city of Rochester. Property owner must be current with City and County of Monroe property taxes or have a tax agreement in place. The property cannot be subject to tax or mortgage tax foreclosure at time of application. Property owner must be in good standing with other properties owned in the City. Household income guidelines apply (see income requirements).

# What do I have to sign?

The City asks that you sign an agreement with the City that states that you must install the windows within 30 days.

# **Income Requirements.**

All households must satisfy the income guideline (as established by HUD) to be eligible for the program. This is computed by adding up the income of all household members over age 18. Below is the income guideline. For example, if your household size is 4, then your annual household income cannot exceed \$54,900.

<b>Household Size</b>	Annual Income
1	\$38,450
2	\$43,950
3	\$49,450
4	\$54,900
5	\$59,300
6	\$63,700
7	\$68,100
8	\$72,500

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